

Town and County News

Gathered in And Around Town By Our Resident And County Reporters.

Nearly all the farmers are through plowing for corn.

Onion sets and seed sweet potatoes at Rustons & Sons.

The County Treasurer says the people are paying their taxes very slowly.

Next Sunday will be an important day. Look out for Easter bonnets and hats.

Dr. Geo. H. Zimmerman, of Pocahontas, spent Monday and Tuesday in our town.

Mrs. R. K. Gillespie, of Pounding Mill, is on a visit to her mother, Mrs. O'Keefe.

The fruit has not been killed. We are of opinion that this will be a good fruit year.

Some fresh butter is coming to our market. It has been very scarce for several months.

Hon. A. St. Clair, of Montdale, this county, was in town on Tuesday and Wednesday.

We wish to buy your wool, washed or unwashed, and will pay the highest market price either in goods or cash. Harman & Bottimore.

Rev. D. O. Baldwin, of Mercer Co. West Va. was in town the first days of this week.

Next Tuesday will be the day for holding the regular April term of Tazewell county court.

Nearly two hundred guests have registered at the Central Hotel since Circuit Court began.

We have a complete stock of Spring and Summer underwear for men and boys. Harman & Bottimore.

Miss Jessie O'Keefe, who has been attending Sullins College as a pupil since last September, came home on Sunday.

Dr. Rolla Witten, who was so much indisposed a few weeks since, has gotten well enough to ride about his farm again.

Mr. T. W. Landon is back from Pocahontas, and will be found at his accustomed place in the store of the Tazewell Drug Co.

Bowen Watts is recovering rapidly from his recent attack of pneumonia, much to the gratification of his relatives and friends.

We are showing a splendid line of colored shirts. We sell a nice one for 50 cents. Harman & Bottimore.

Mrs. W. G. Mustard, we regret to hear, is in very poor health. We hope she will grow stronger as the mild Spring weather approaches.

We now have a splendid new job press, new type and new stationery. If you want neat job work you can have it done at the REPUBLICAN office.

All the new styles of Spring and Summer neckwear, Silk and Satin Scarfs and Ties, and wash ties can be found at Harman & Bottimore's.

Mrs. O'Keefe was very ill during last week, but we are glad to announce she is now convalescent, and her friends hope to see her out again very soon.

Col. J. S. Browning was in town Monday and Tuesday looking after his injunction proceedings against the Southwest Va. Improvement Company.

The present term of the circuit court promises to be a very protracted one. This is the second week of the term and the trial docket is hardly begun.

We have a full line of suits of large sizes for fat men and tall men. We can fit your person and suit your pocket. Call on us and see. Harman & Bottimore.

Mr. G. H. Landon has moved his family into the eastern portion of the Dodd property on Main Street, which has been nicely fitted up for a residence.

Mrs. J. P. Kroll, of Panther West, Va. spent several days last week visiting relatives in town and vicinity. She left for her home on Saturday afternoon.

Capt. F. T. Lee, general southern sales agent of Tom's Creek Coal and Coke Company was in our town on yesterday. Capt. Lee has his headquarters at Roanoke.

Mr. D. S. Pilegar, of Norfolk Virginia, is here acting as stenographer in the case Clark, Trustee, et al. vs. Jaeger. Mr. Pilegar is a very accomplished stenographer.

There is beauty of shaping and perfection of detail about our new Spring clothing that is rarely secured. Our garments fit and the prices are entirely right. Harman & Bottimore.

The infant child of Mr. M. L. Peery, whose serious illness we noted in our last issue, died on Saturday night, and was buried on Sunday at the graveyard near the Fair Grounds.

Dr. J. R. Gildersleeve has gone to Marion to attend a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southwestern Hospital, to which Board he was recently appointed by Gov. O'Ferrall.

Mr. A. F. Hargrave has sold his drug business to Mr. Jno. E. Jackson, of Lynchburg, Va., who was for a number of years of the drug firm of E. A. Crighill & Co., of that city. Mr. Jackson will bring his family here in a few days and take charge in person of his drug business.

Col. H. C. Alderson was so much weakened by a recent attack of grip that he had to ask the Circuit Court to continue all the jury cases in which he was counsel. He is getting all right again.

Rev. Thomas Mowbray, of Thompson's Valley, preached in the Presbyterian Church at this place on last Sunday, in the morning and afternoon, and in the Methodist church at night.

We have Spring suits for men and boys—all desirable shades and patterns. Our trousers bear the stamp of artistic tailoring; they set perfectly; are the regular cut and fashionable width, and made to wear. Harman & Bottimore.

The will case of Gillespie and others vs. Henry T. Peery was fixed to be heard today in the circuit court; but it will hardly be commenced on account of the trial of the ejectment case which is still in progress.

Mr. Jno. W. Crockett has gone to Baltimore to visit Mrs. Crockett, who is still at Johns-Hopkins hospital receiving treatment. The friends of that estimable lady are glad to receive favorable reports from her.

An old gentleman, who is eighty seven years old, and who has been traveling the road through Plum Creek Gap all his life, says he never saw the road through that Gap in as bad condition as it is now found to be.

Mr. W. L. C. Burke announces himself as a candidate for Supervisor of Maiden Spring District. Mr. Burke has been Supervisor of that district for the past two years, and by his efficiency has made himself very popular with the people.

Our men's and boys' shoes lead in every improved structural feature—every item of comfort, convenience and fashion. The stock of which they are made is the best and they were designed by artists in footwear. Examine them and you will buy from us. Harman & Bottimore.

The seventy-eighth anniversary of Old Fellowship in the United States will be celebrated on the 20th inst. by the order throughout the country. Bluegrass Lodge, No. 142, will celebrate the occasion with proper ceremonies in the town hall on the afternoon of that day.

Mrs. M. J. Gregory, mother of Mr. Lewis Gregory, died at the home of her son, at North Tazewell, on last Tuesday morning at 2 o'clock, aged seventy-one years. The deceased was an excellent, Christian woman, and had been a member of the Methodist Church for a number of years. Funeral services were held at North Tazewell on Wednesday morning, and the remains were taken to Clear Fork and buried in the old family burying ground near Shaver's Mill.

Circuit Court Proceedings.
In our issue of last week we reported proceedings of the circuit court up to the time of going to press. Since that time the following business has been transacted.

In the case of Jno. A. Macom vs. the Southwest Virginia Improvement Co. there was a verdict for the defendant. This was a damage suit brought to recover \$10,000 for injuries received in the coal mines of the defendant company.

On last Thursday, S. L. Flournoy, of Charleston, W. Va., on his motion, was permitted to qualify to practice in the court.

On the same day the suit of Jas. A. Tiller vs. Jno. W. Thompson, was begun, and it was concluded on Friday. This was a suit to recover damages from the defendant for suing out maliciously an attachment against the plaintiff. The jury found for the plaintiff and assessed his damages at one dollar. The judgment carries with it costs for the plaintiff, and the costs amount to more than \$200.

On motion of Jno. W. Crockett, sheriff of Tazewell County, Robert Billups was permitted to qualify as special deputy sheriff.

In the case of Minnie J. Moore vs. Geo. Litz et al., judgment was given for the plaintiff.

Martha A. Carter v. F. J. Kimball and Henry Fink, Receivers. This suit was dismissed without prejudice to the right of the plaintiff to bring another suit.

J. R. Meek, Ex'or v. John W. Thompson et al. The plaintiff by his attorneys appeared in court and acknowledged that his debt was fully paid and the case was stricken from the docket.

A. T. Lambert v. L. D. Taylor. Pleadings made up, issue joined and case continued until the next term.

E. W. Clark and others, Trustees, v. Wm G. W. Jaeger. This is a very important case, an action of ejectment involving only about 60 acres of land, but the settlement of which may involve or unsettle the title to very large boundaries. The trial of the case was begun on last Saturday, and is still in progress. It may occupy the balance of the week.

On the chancery side of the court a number of decrees have been entered.

Important to Candidates.

Some of the candidates for district offices at the approaching election are laboring under a mistake. They think that the election will be held under the new or Australian ballot law. This is not correct. The election will be held under the old law, and every candidate will have to furnish his own tickets. We are prepared to print tickets and will be glad to have the candidates give us their orders.

IMPORTANT INJUNCTION PROCEEDING

The Browning-Southwest Virginia Improvement Co. Controversy

IN OUR CIRCUIT COURT.

Judge Jackson Will Hear Motion to Dissolve Injunction Tomorrow.

Col. James S. Browning, of Pocahontas, was in town on Tuesday, and we called upon him with the request that he would give us some information about the injunction proceedings now pending in our circuit court in the name of J. S. Browning vs. The Southwest Virginia Improvement Company. From him we obtained the following particulars:

For four or five years Col. Browning had been selling the output of his coal mines at Pocahontas to Castner & Curran, of Philadelphia, who are the agents of the Pocahontas Coal Co. He refused to sign a contract with Castner & Curran to furnish them his coal this year, giving as his reasons therefor their demand for a decreased tonnage and a reduction in price. Col. Browning made a contract with W. H. Coffman, at Bluefield, W. Va., to sell his coal. This did not meet with the approval of the Southwest Virginia Improvement Company, and it gave notice to Col. Browning to remove his tipple, which is claimed to be on the company's land, within twenty-four hours. The notice to remove was given at 10 o'clock at night.

Col. Browning refused to comply with the demand, knowing that to grant compliance would destroy completely his mining operations. On the 1st inst., about twelve hours after the notice to remove had been given, the company sent a crowd of men, in the absence of Col. Browning, to remove the tipple. Mrs. Browning, in the absence of her husband, determined to defend his interests, and had Mr. Lang, who was directing the force of men for the company, arrested by one of the town officers of Pocahontas.

Col. Browning had gone to Roanoke with a bill prepared by his counsel, Henry & Graham, asking for an injunction. He presented it to Judge Dupuy, who granted an injunction, and by 3 o'clock on the 1st Col. Browning had telegraphed notice to Pocahontas that the injunction had been secured. Thereupon the company discontinued its efforts to remove the tipple, and gave notice for a motion to dissolve the injunction, which motion came up before Judge Jackson on Monday, the 12th inst. The parties were on hand Monday, but Judge Jackson fixed upon tomorrow (Friday) for hearing the motion. Col. Browning is represented by Messrs. Henry & Graham and Williams & Hicks, while the Southwest Virginia Improvement Co. is represented by Messrs. A. J. & S. D. May and Judge Jno. H. Fulton.

After Col. Browning obtained an injunction, Castner & Curran sued out an injunction in the courts of West Virginia against W. H. Coffman, restraining him from buying and shipping coal from the Browning mines as Pocahontas coal.

The questions involved in the two cases are very important and novel, and a hard battle will be fought over them in the courts.

Easter Services.
There will be divine service Easter Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. at Stras' Memorial Episcopal Church. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Good music may be expected. Holy communion will be administered at 7:30 a. m. Children's service at 3:30 p. m. Baptism will be administered at this service.

W. D. Beckner, Rector.

The "Junior Builders" of the Christian Church, will give an Easter entertainment Sunday night. All are cordially invited.

There will be Easter services in the Methodist church conducted by Rev. I. P. Martin, pastor, at 11 a. m. on Sunday next.

Quarterly Meeting.
The second quarterly meeting for Tazewell and North Tazewell was held at the church at North Tazewell on last Saturday and Sunday. The presiding elder, Rev. J. Tyler Frazier, did not arrive until Sunday afternoon, and the meeting was conducted up to that time by Rev. I. P. Martin, pastor. Quarterly conference was held on Monday after the regular morning services were concluded, and Capt. C. A. Fudge and Messrs. H. W. Steele, Jno. C. Bailey and E. F. Witten were elected delegates to the district conference, which meets in the Cove some time next August.

Messrs. H. G. Peery, Jr. and Jno. S. Bottimore were elected alternates for the above named delegates.

Vandalism.
On Tuesday of last week some malicious person went into a field of Mr. Henry Ascue, at Paint Lick, in this county, and burned three fine hay stacks. About two weeks ago some one chopped down and destroyed three farm gates for Mr. Ascue. The same night the gates were destroyed a fence was thrown down and Mr. Ascue's cattle were turned in a field where he had his fodder shocked, so the shocks still having the corn unshucked. It is fearful to have such acts of vandalism in our county. The person who commits them must be very malicious or insane. We hope there will be no more of it.

MR. BRYAN'S NARROW ESCAPE.

The Great Orator in a Serious Accident at St. Augustine.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., April 9.—William Jennings Bryan arrived in this city from Washington at 2:30 yesterday afternoon and was accorded a hearty welcome by 600 or more men and women, who had gathered at the terminal station, when the train rolled in. He was asked to make a speech, but declined. He afforded all who wished to do so an opportunity to shake hands with him.

St. AUGUSTINE, FLA., April 9.—W. J. Bryan yesterday afternoon was greeted at the station by several hundred people. At 8:30 last night he addressed fully 3,000 persons from the piazza of the San Marco Hotel. His theme was good government and the money question, the free coinage of silver being advocated as strongly as ever.

At the close of his speech hundreds of people flocked around him, and so great was the strain that one section of the piazza, forty feet square, fell through, precipitating four hundred people to the ground below, a distance of twenty feet.

No one was seriously hurt, but a score of ladies and gentlemen received bruises and sprains.

Mr. Bryan was picked up unconscious and taken to Dr. Worley's office, where he received medical attention. He is not seriously hurt.

A reception was planned to take place in the Casino after the speech, but it was abandoned.

TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 9.—Mr. Bryan arrived this evening almost entirely recovered from last night's injuries and shock. He will address the legislature to-night.

Comfort and Durability Combined.

We have received a letter requesting us to announce that Mr. S. C. Foote, of the firm of Foote & Johnson, Wytheville, Va., will be here next week, at our county court, with a full line of their vehicles for sale. Messrs. Foote & Johnson are better acquainted with the wants of our people in the way of vehicles than any manufacturers we know. Each member of the firm is an accomplished mechanic, and superintend the construction of every vehicle that is sent from their factory.

They have succeeded in giving to their carriages, buggies and carts three essential qualities—beauty of finish, comfort and strength. The people of Tazewell know a good thing when they see it, hence the trade of Foote & Johnson in this county has been very large. When they once sell a customer they always retain him. Remember they will have a full line of phaetons, surreys, buggies and other vehicles on exhibition on next Tuesday, county court day.

The lumber business in the Penobscot (Me.) region will probably exceed in volume this year that of any year previous since the decline of the industry began.

Death of Senator Voorhees.

Ex-Senator Daniel W. Voorhees, of Indiana, died at 5 o'clock Saturday morning at his home. His health had been very poor during the past year, and his friends for some time had expected his sudden death from rheumatic trouble of the heart.

Daniel Wolsey Voorhees, of Terre Haute, was born September 26, 1827, in Liberty Township, Butler County, Ohio, and in his early infancy was carried by his parents to the pioneer home in the Wabash Valley of Indiana; was graduated from the Indiana Asbury (now De Pauw) University in 1849; studied law and commenced the practice of that profession in 1851; was appointed United States district attorney for Indiana in 1855 and held that office until he entered Congress in 1861; was elected to the Thirty-seventh, Thirty-eighth, Thirty-ninth, Forty-first, and Forty-second Congresses; was defeated for the Forty-third Congress by reason of the nomination of Horace Greeley as the Democratic candidate for the Presidency; was appointed United States Senator to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Oliver P. Morton, and took his seat November 12, 1877; was immediately assigned to the Committee on Finance as his leading committee and has been a member of that committee to the end of his term. Soon after entering the Senate he addressed that body in favor of free coinage of silver and the preservation of the greenback currency as full legal tender money; in this speech he laid down the principles on which as a direct issue the State of Indiana was carried by the Democratic party the following year (1878) by over 30,000 majority in the election of the legislature; this legislature returned him to the Senate by 23 majority on joint ballot over Benjamin Harrison; was re-elected in January, 1885, by a majority of 46 over Albert G. Porter, and was re-elected in January, 1891, by a majority of 69 on joint ballot over Alvin P. Hovey. His term of service expired March 4, 1897, and he was succeeded by Chas. W. Fairbanks.

ABOUT WOMEN.

The Paul Revere Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will lay a wreath upon the grave of Reverend, in the Old Granary Burying Ground, in Boston, on Patriots' Day, April 19.

The little town of Nasso, in Sweden, is only a small village, and four enormous tuns constitute the "waterworks." One hundred and fifty women make up the fire department and one of their duties consists in always keeping the tube filled with water. The women are fine workers, it is said, and know how to handle a fire with as little confusion as possible.

Miss Francis E. Willard says many signs and tokens of progress in reforms come from the South. The Governor of Arkansas has appointed two women notaries public. The Governor of Missouri has declared every office in the State open to women, unless they are specially debarred by statute. Alabama has made women eligible as county superintendents of school.

Canned Goods

Are No Longer Treated as Luxuries.

They are now regarded as necessities, especially at this season of the year. They are healthful and appetizing. We cater to the public taste and carry all kinds of Canned Goods, in all grades and at all prices.

Vegetables

Corn, three varieties, in regular sized cans at 7c, 10c and 12c per can. Tomatoes, 3 lb can for 7c.

Fruits

Pie Peaches, 81c per can. Good Peeled Peaches, 2 cans for 25c. All grades of Peaches up to 40c a can. Apples, 2 cans for 15c.

Fish and Meats

We have the celebrated Pilgrim brand of Red Salmon, Brook Trout, Mackerel, Shrimps, Lobsters and Sardines, with Tomato Dressing. These goods are of high grade and delicious.

You will find at our store all grades of Canned Goods at all prices.

BUSTON & SONS,

Main Street,

TAZEWELL, VA.

ODDEST DINNER EVER EATEN.

Food That Antedated the Most Historic of Railway Sandwiches.

Perhaps the most remarkable dinner on record was that given by an antiquary named Goebel, in the city of Brussels. A description of it is furnished to the Boston Cooking School Magazine by one of the guests, Mr. Amariah Dukes, of New York.

At that dinner I ate apples that ripened more than eighteen hundred years ago; bread made of wheat grown before the children of Israel passed through the Red Sea, and spread with butter that was made when Elizabeth was Queen of England; I washed down the repast with wine that was old when Columbus was playing heretofore, with the boys of Genoa.

The apples were from an earthen jar taken from the ruins of Pompeii. The wheat was taken from a chamber in one of the pyramids, the butter from a stone shelf in an old well in Scotland, where for several centuries it had lain in an earthen crock in icy water, and the wine was recovered from an old vault in the city of Corinth.

There were six guests at the table, and each had a mouthful of the bread and a teaspoonful of the wine, but was permitted to help himself bountifully to the butter, to bring several pounds of it. The apple jar held about two-thirds of a gallon. The fruit was sweet and finely flavored as if it had been put up yesterday.

GENERAL NEWS.

A fight has been started against the confirmation of Col. E. A. Buck, of Georgia, as minister to Japan.

The King of Siam has started on a visit to Europe and the United States. This will afford the so-called aristocracy of this country an opportunity to bow down to royalty.

The fire loss in the United States during 1896 amounted to something over \$117,000,000, and the insurance loss is about \$73,000,000.

Hundreds of idle men in Toronto, Ont., have appealed to the Government for work to keep their families from starving.

About half of the cattle in the Moreau River country of South Dakota perished during the winter from hunger and exposure.

The Daily Chronicle, of London, has published a letter from a correspondent in Asia Minor stating that 2,000 people have been massacred by the Moslems in Tokat, and that fresh outrages, probably as devilish, are expected.

Horses were sold at twenty-five cents apiece recently at a sale in Dakota.

A cherry tree in Dayton Ore., which was recently blown down by a storm, bore a ton of fruit in one season. It was set out over forty-five years ago.

McGill university, in Montreal, has just received a gift of \$25,000 from Mr. Walter Drake, of that city, for the endowment of its chair of physiology.

Recently there was shipped from Western North Carolina to the State Museum

at Raleigh one of the largest blocks of mica ever discovered in the South. It weighs 450 pounds and is about 34 by 26 by 18 inches in size.

One of the oldslid cones a few miles south of Mono Lake, in Nevada, is smoking and fuming furiously, and at night a red glow is perceptible at the summit. There are three of these cones, all being dormant volcanoes with deep craters.

The government of Hawaii has prohibited the landing at Honolulu of four hundred Japanese emigrants, and the Hawaiian Court has confirmed the action of the government. This may provoke hostile action from Japan.

Officers of the London Chamber of Commerce deny there exists the slightest intention of any influential quarter to impose tariff reprisals against the United States.

The failure of the Oregon Legislature to organize and pass an appropriation bill has left many of the public institutions in a sad plight. The State prison authorities say that they have not money enough to buy the postage stamps for the convicts' limited correspondence or to furnish the discharged ones the customary \$5 on leaving.

London claims the most celebrated woman photographer in the world, Miss Alice Hughes, the daughter of Edwin Hughes, the famous portrait painter. She not only rivals all women in her profession, but there are very few men who can compete with her. Miss Hughes' prices are higher than those of any other photographer in London, and yet she can scarcely attend to the orders that crowd upon her.

Trespass Notice.

All persons are hereby requested and warned not to trespass on our lands, by fishing, hunting or otherwise, situate on the head waters of Clinch River, Tazewell County, Va. Those who disregard this notice will be dealt with according to law.

Mrs. KATE C. PEERY, Adm.

A. J. TYNES, W. H. KELLY, E. B. GREYER, C. H. PEERY, W. L. BRITTS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR CONSTABLE—By the request of my friends, I announce myself a candidate for Constable in Jeffersonville District, election in May.

Respectfully, J. B. F. GILLESPIE.

FOR CONSTABLE—By request of my friends, I announce myself a candidate for Constable in Jeffersonville District, election in May.

Respectfully, J. O. YOUNG.

FOR CONSTABLE—We are authorized to announce D. H. Payne as a candidate for Constable for Jeffersonville District at the election to be held the 4th Thursday in May.

Respectfully, W. L. C. BURKE.

FOR SUPERVISOR—I announce myself a candidate for Supervisor of the Maiden Spring District, Tazewell County, Va. If elected I will perform the duties of the office to the best of my ability.

Respectfully, W. L. C. BURKE.

VELVET \$3.60.

This famous brand is beyond all doubt the finest lye produced at the price. We guarantee same. 6 full Qts. 4.50 per case.

L. Lazarus & Co.

CAROLINA CORN \$2

A two year old whiskey made in the State that bears its name. Made by old copper still open fire process.

L. Lazarus & Co.

OLD VA. GLADE 2.50

This is a elegant three year old Maryland Rye pronounced by experts to be A. 1.

L. Lazarus & Co.

GEORGIA CORN 1.50

Two years old, copper still by open fire process.

L. Lazarus and Co.

VA. WHITE RYE \$2.

Made in mountains of Virginia. A pleasant, soft and elegant drink.

L. Lazarus and Co.

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Pocahontas, Va.

Prompt Attention to Mail Orders.

President McKinley Names Bimetallist Commissioners.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Under the act approved March 3, 1897, "for the promotion of international agreement for bimetallism," President McKinley last night announced the appointment of three commissioners to represent the United States in the proposed conference. They are: Hon. Edward O. Wolcott, of Colorado, Republican.

Gen. Charles J. Paine, of Massachusetts, Republican.

Hon. Adlai E. Stevenson, of Illinois, Democrat.

Confirmation of these appointments by the Senate is not required by the act creating the commission.

Notice.

All persons who are applicants for post offices in Tazewell will please send their names to the county committee for their consideration and endorsement by the 20th of April.

W. G. YOUNG, Ch'mn.

Piano Tuning and Repairing.

We are requested to give notice that Mr. R. Devan will be here about the 20th of April to repair or tune pianos and other instruments, and to do any work that is necessary in his line.

STAS MEMORIAL EPISCOPAL CHURCH.